

Lines 1-4:

I met a traveler from an antique land who said: two
vast and trunkless legs of stone stand in the desert...
near them, on the sand. Half sunk a shattered
visage lays whose frown.

Explanation: The poet met a traveler. He came from
an accident land. He told the poet that he had seen
a statue. It was standing in the desert. Its two huge
legs were without a trunk. The face of the statue
was lying in the sand. It lay half buried there. The
features of the face were distorted.

Line 5-8:

And wrinkled lip, and sneer of cold command
Tell that its sculptor well those passions read
Which yet survive stamped on these lifeless things
The hand that mocked them and the heart that fed

Explanation: The face of the statue had a frown on
it. Its lips were wrinkled. There was a look of anger